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FROM USDEL UNIDO II CONFERENCE

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SUBJ: UNIDO II: GROUP B POSITIONS

1. BEFORE PRESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY A.M., GROUP B MET TO REVIEW STATUS OF INTERGROUP NEGOTIATIONS AND TO DISCUSS TACTICS ON HANDLING OF DECLARATION, PLAN OF ACTION AND G-77 RESOLUTIONS. THE ENTIRE PACKAGE OF DOCUMENTATION, PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED IN COMMITTEES I AND II AND SUBSEQUENTLY IN DRAFTING COMMITTEE HAS NOW BEEN FORWARDED TO PRESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE. COMMITTEE WILL MEET TODAY AND TOMORROW, WITH VIEW TO FINISHING CONFERENCE ON SCHEDULE MARCH 26.

2. MANY DELEGATES EXPRESSED CONVICTION THAT PRESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE WOULD BE ABLE REACH ACCORD ON THREE OF SIX RESOLUTIONS. US DELEGATION SHARES VIEW THAT THREE RESES ON 1) LEAST DEVELOPED, CONFIDENTIAL

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2) TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY AND 3) HUMAN RESOURCES REQUIRE ONLY

MINOR ADJUSTMENT AND THAT IT IS LIKELY THAT THESE RESES WILL BE ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS. ON THE DECLARATION AND PLAN OF ACTION IT WAS GENERALLY AGREED THAT THE MOST DIFFICULT PORTIONS WOULD PROBABLY NOT YIELD TO SATISFACTORY SOLUTION. THESE POINTS -- PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY, PRODUCERS ASSOCIATIONS, RECONSIDERATION OF RESERVATIONS ON THE UNGAS VI RESES AND CERDS -- HAVE NOT BEEN DEALT WITH DIRECTLY IN THE NEGOTIATIONS TO DATE. ALTHOUGH A RUMOR HAD BEEN CIRCULATING THAT THE G-77 MIGHT BE WILLING TO SET THESE ASIDE OR REMAND THEM TO IDB OR TO APPROPRIATE FOROMS, BELIEF THIS MORNING WAS THAT G-77 WILL INSIST THESE ISSUES BE FACED HEAD-ON HERE AND NOW.

3. VARIOUS DELEGATIONS EXPRESSED IN TENTATIVE FASHION THEIR POSITIONS ON HOW THE SITUATION SHOULD BE HANDLED IN PLENARY. IRISH AMBASSADOR O'SULLIVAN, WHO LEANS HEAVILY TO APPEASING G-77, SAID THAT INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES SHOULD GO ALONG WITH CONSENSUS ON DECLARATION AND PLAN, WITH INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES EXPRESSING THEIR RESERVATIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS. NETHERLANDS, NEW ZEALAND, SWEDEN, AUSTRIA, AND AUSTRALIA AGREED WITH THIS METHOD. GERMANY AND JAPAN ON THE OTHER HAND SUGGESTED THAT TWO SIDES "AGREE TO DISAGREE." GROUP B WOULD DRAFT ITS OWN PAPER OF RESERVATIONS, AND CONFERENCE WOULD UNDER THIS SCHEME APPROVE TWO PAPERS, ONE FOR INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES, ONE FOR LDCS. NO OTHER GROUP B REPRESENTATIVE SUPPORTED THIS SUGGESTION AND MANY OBJECTED TO THE IDEA. THE IRISH AMBASSADOR SAID FLATLY THAT G-77 WOULD NOT ACCEPT SUCH AN OUTCOME.

4. DURING ABOVE DISCUSSION AMBASSADOR BENNETT INTERVENED TO COMMENT THAT SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION EXPERIENCE OF ADOPTION BY CONSENSUS WITH STATEMENTS OF RESERVATION HAD NOT PRODUCED A HAPPY RESULT. THE US WOULD NOT WISH TO REPEAT THAT EXPERIENCE AT THIS CONFERENCE. HE HOPED PRESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE WOULD PRODUCE SATISFACTORY RESULTS BUT THOUGHT THAT PREPARATIONS SHOULD BE MADE AGAINST LIKELY POSSIBILITY THAT SUCH WOULD NOT BE THE CASE.

5. FRG REP SAID THAT G-77 MUST REALIZE THAT SOME GOVERNMENTS COULD NOT GO BEYOND POSITIONS STATED AT 29TH GA. FRANCE TEMPORIZED, BUT ACKNOWLEDGED THAT A VOTE MIGHT BE NECESSARY.

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6. SUBSEQUENT MEETING HELD WITH UK DEL AT LATTER'S REQUEST TO CONSIDER QUESTION OF PLENARY VOTE ON UNIDO DECLARATION/PLAN OF ACTION. LONDON HAS STIFFENED SOMEWHAT, WITH FCO ANTICIPATING NECESSITY OF CALLING FOR VOTE. UKDEL SAID HMG WOULD PROBABLY TAKE FINAL POSITION AT WEDNESDAY A.M. INTER-MINISTERIAL SESSION. UK DEL DID NOT RULE OUT INSTRUCTIONS FOR NEGATIVE VOTE, DEPENDENT ON "SIZE AND RESPECTABILITY" OF OPPOSING GROUP. OUR IMPRESSION IS THAT UK COULD VOTE NO WITH FRG, JAPAN,

AND US IF THERE WERE IN ADDITION REASONABLE NUMBER OF ABSECTIONS.
UK DEL ESTIMATED POSSIBILITY OF SIX ABSTENTIONS IN EC,
WITH ONLY IRELAND AND NETHERLANDS VOTING IN FAVOR. AT MORNING
GROUP B MEETING A NUMBER
OF OTHER DELS SUCH AS AUSTRIA, FINLAND, SWEDEN, AND SWITZER-
LAND INDICATED THAT IN EVENT CONSENSUS FAILED AND VOTE TAKEN
THEY WOULD BE IN ABSTENTION COLUMN.

7. UK DEL INSTRUCTIONS PERMIT IT TO BE FLEXIBLE ON SPECIALIZED
AGENCY STATUS. BRITISH COMMENT THEY SEE NO REASON TO GIVE UP
THEIR PRINCIPLE OF OPPOSITION TO SA STATUS IF THEY GET NOTHING
IN RETURN.

8. SWISS AMB. PROBST AS HEAD OF GROUP B UNDERLINED CONFERENCE
PRESIDENT'S STRONG DESIRE FOR SUCCESSFUL DECLARATION OF LIMA AND
HOPED THIS WOULD MAKE POSSIBLE ACCEPTABLE COMPROMISES IN
PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE. THAT TEST IS NOW UNDERWAY.
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